

AMERICA ASKS CASTRO TO ARBITRATE

London, March 21.—Arrived: *Minneapolis*.
 Liverpool, March 21.—Sailed: *Sylvania*.
 Antwerp, March 21.—Arrived: *Zeeland*.
 Palermo, March 16.—Sailed: *Scilian*.
 Ponta del Gada, March 21.—Arrived: *Cantope*.
 Haville, March 21.—Arrived: *Bavarian*.
 Liverpool, March 21.—Sailed: *Lake Cham-*
plain.
 Queenstown, March 21. 11:25 a. m.—Arrived:

residents of Harbin and soldiers who are on the way to fill out the ranks of the depleted army.

HARMONY AT COUNCIL TABLE

AT LAST IS ASSURED

The end-of was a mere foretaste of what awaits General Kuropatkin at the front, and his self-sacrificing determination and the equally patriotic course of General Linevitch in accepting the service tendered are bound to do wonders for the reintegration of the Emperor's legions and give promise of union and harmony at the council table, which that army has long lacked.

The retreat is apparently progressing uneventfully. No dispatches of moment were received yesterday.

Little weight is placed here on the deduction drawn from the European consignment of arms to the Japanese.

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● Boston, March 11.—Congregational ministers representing Boston and vari-
● ous sections of New England have forwarded to the American Board of Com-
● missioners for Foreign Missions a protest against the acceptance by the board
● of a gift of \$100,000 from John D. Rockefeller.

● The petition, which was prepared by a committee chosen at a meeting of
● the clergymen, protests against the acceptance of the gift on the ground that
● the Standard Oil Company, of which Mr. Rockefeller is the head, "stands be-
● fore the public under repeated and recent formidable indictments, in specific
● terms, for methods which are morally injurious and socially destructive,"
● and that "the acceptance of such a gift involves the consent of the board
● to a relation implying honor toward the donor and subjects the board to the
● charge of ignoring the moral issues involved."

● In ending the protest says:

● "We, the undersigned, therefore, protest against any action by which our
● church may even seem to be compromised, and we plead with the officers of
● the board to decline the gift or to return it if it has been accepted."

● Among the signers are Daniel Evans, Cambridge; Edward F. Anderson,
● Providence, R. I.; George N. Garrison, Derry, N. H.; N. Van der Pyl, Mar-
● sborough, Mass.; Rufus Thomas, Boston; and James S. Williams, Haverhill.

MINISTERS

**PLANS RAPIDLY ADVANCING
IN SUPPORT OF MOVEMENT.**

As soon as possible. He started it off by saying "My name is D. R. Francis and I live on ..."

Mr. Francis also suggested that definite action be taken toward the mass meeting Saturday night. He recommended that the permanent chairman, Mr. Smith, with two others, secure a hall as soon as possible and report to the organization. In connection with the plans of the organization, Mr. Smith said he had secured a hall with a suitable room for midday meetings, similar to those being held with much success at the Democratic headquarters in the Nutsen building. Sixth and Olive streets.

The speaker who spoke were David R. Francis, E. S. Robert, C. W. Knapp, George Frank H. Kleiber, F. W. Lehmann, J. M. Smith, A. B. Knepper, J. L. Brown, Dr. John H. Simon, James Hagerman, J. E. Smith, C. H. Nutt, Harry B. Hawes

The St. Louis Manufacturers' Association adopted resolutions last night at the annual meeting and banquet at the Jefferson Hotel, endorsing the proposed \$5,000,000 bond issue for the purpose of the new

Secretary Charles Ware then read many letters from manufacturers, the majority of whom stated that the water supply was much improved since it had been chlorinated.

Among those who spoke on the subject were: Doctor R. B. H. Gradwohl, Ben C. Adkins, John Winford, chemist of the Water Department, and Julius R. Walsh, president of the Water Consumers' Association. The water was read from G. E. M. Pratt.

Free bridge and terminal questions were discussed by William H. Rumber, Otto L. Teichmann, president of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and J. H. Joyce, Vice President of the City Council. L. D. Klingman, president of the same